

Observer & Reporter

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The Big Sandy Railroad.

Although there is a little game of "now you see it, and now you don't" going on about the Big Sandy Railroad, we believe it will yet be built as certain as that Lexington exists. We must have it; and what we must have we will have. Our City Councilmen, for reasons which they deem just and valid, have declined the application of the Elizabethtown, Lexington and Big Sandy Railroad Company for the \$250,000 subscription of Lexington to the capital stock of said road. As there is a wide difference of opinion as to the propriety of the Council's action, we publish to-day the whole proceedings in regard to it that all may have a fair chance to rightly weigh the whole subject and make up a fair opinion. In the meanwhile, as we know how large a share of public interest will be exhibited in this exceedingly important matter, and how much it will be discussed in the papers, we will take a little rest that we may be able to go through the siege. We are far that road, and so is Lexington and Fayette county.

How is This?

Hon. Cassius M. Clay made a speech in Richmond, Kentucky, last Monday, in which he took strong and decided grounds against Grant and the present administration; unflinchingly favored universal amnesty and advised the negroes that if they would be prosperous and happy, they must stand by their late masters and cease to act upon the ridiculous and totally unfounded hope of ever being their social equals. When a man like Mr. Clay, with all the peculiar political tenets that he has held for so long, takes the stand that he has taken, it affords one of the most significant signs of the times, and still further confirms the rapidly growing opinion that the days of Radicalism are numbered. Mr. Clay seeing at last, that the course of the Radical party is certain if persevered in, to entirely ruin the country, lifts his voice against it; but his decided and manly expressions will fall like a wet blanket upon the Radicals of Kentucky, who had been confidently expecting him to stomp the State in their behalf. They had better profit by his example, and re-assess their manhood and their dignity before it is eternally too late.

Tripodical.

The Lexington newspapers are always furnishing the public with something fresh. Mr. Wesley Goodloe, who has conducted the editorial department of the Statesman with so much ability, has retired from the health-depleting duties of the tripod, to give place to Col. Wm. Cassius Goodloe and Mr. L. P. Tarleton, Jr. Our best wishes go, with the retiring editor, May the fearful cry of "copy!" never again greet his ears. "May he live long and prosper." We extend the heartiest compliments of the season to his successors, and wish that they also may "live long and prosper." A distinct and valuable and beautiful breed inhabiting principally the North of Devon," &c. "The Alderney, with her crumpled horn, is found on the Southern coast." And "the polled or hornless cattle prevail in Suffolk and Norfolk, and in Galloway whence they were first derived, and hence their name."

Another Valuable Letter.

How much interest the farmers throughout the country are taking in the Agricultural Observer and Reporter, may be inferred from the number of interesting and instructive letters we are constantly receiving from them. We hope they will keep the good practice up and continue to let us hear from them, for the Observer is what it professes to be, the farmers' friend and the farmers' organ. To-day we publish the first of a short series of valuable letters from the pen of that experienced Kentucky cattle-raiser and able writer, John Allen Gano, Sr., which will be read with both profit and pleasure.

The Crop Report.

We clip a few interesting facts from the monthly report of the Department of Agriculture. In regard to corn, the estimates of product for the past year, have rarely indicated a year near approach to a full crop. From a preliminary calculation on local returns from seven hundred and forty-nine counties, the product of this year is made to exceed 1,100,000,000. This would give about twenty-eight bushels per acre this year upon the assumed average, 36,000,000, against twenty-three and a half bushels upon a little more than 37,000,000 acres last year. Returns indicate a larger product of sorghum than last year.

The tobacco crop is comparatively large, and the estimate of the year will aggregate, at least, 300,000,000 pounds. They say it is less in quantity than that of 1869 by about 15 per cent. The estimate will go above 20,000,000 tons, which is little more than the product of 1869. The quality is superior to such a degree as nearly to make good the loss in quantity. The production of the year in potatoes is little more than four-fifths of the preceding, and the aggregate estimate will not vary much from the total number of bushels in 1869—111,000,000, which will afford to each inhabitant four-fifths

of the supply of the year. The sweet potato crop has been a large one, nearly every State showing a more than average yield. Buckwheat is a somewhat smaller crop than the preceding one, the loss being in the New England and Middle States. The flax crop will average rather better than last year. Accounts of fall sown wheat and rye are generally favorable. The condition of wheat at this date is somewhat above the average.

What a blessing the completion of the Mount Genis Tunnel will be to sensation-hungry people. They will ride over it. An eight miles ride through the heart of the Alps, in utter darkness, or darkness so nearly utter that it will be darkness visible, will be rather a gloomy and disagreeable journey, but thousands of people from all parts of the world will go to experience it, just so soon as it will be available. They will try "the latest thing out," or die in the attempt.

Advisers from Georgia state that Attorney-General Sherman has fled to the Mountains of Hepsidam, where the lion roareth and the vanguard of the mousetraps over the defeat of his first born (the Election bill), but that Senator Cameron is on his way to Washington with his pockets full of affidavits to induce Congress to upset the great Democratic victory.

THE SHORT-HORNED CATTLE.

A Distinct and Original Race—How to Preserve its Purity and Vigor.

[To the Editor of the Observer and Reporter.] In view of the widely extended interest in this noble and valuable race of cattle, the rapidity with which they have established themselves in many of the States of the Union, as superior to all other, the writer has concluded it might not be amiss to prepare for the press a few papers with reference to this highly prized breed of cattle. My chief objects shall be to vindicate their claim to a high antiquity as a distinct and superior race; to show their peculiarities and chief excellences; then to consider how these may be best secured in order to its perpetuation and highest improvement. If I can in a good measure succeed in this, I shall afford to all a sure test of pedigrees by which they may be greatly secured against impostures. To remove some prejudice at the outset, should any exist, and to secure a fair and candid consideration of the facts and figures I shall present, I will here ask: Were I to assert the very great antiquity, the peculiarity, distinctness and superiority of the "Aldersian race" of men, would my readers weigh my facts and proofs unceasingly? Certainly not. But to our subject; and first, of the great antiquity and well authenticated superiority of the Short-Horns. Deriving our American Short-Horns from the British Isles, we must go to the history of cattle of this remarkable breed, as given by her writers, in order to reach as far as we may in the distant past to our knowledge of them. Youatt, an English writer of celebrity, informs us on the 19th page of his work that the various breeds of British cattle "have been very conveniently classed, according to the comparative size of the horns, into long-horns from Lancashire; the short-horns from East York originally; the middle-horns, not derived from a mixture of the two preceding, but a distinct and valuable and beautiful breed inhabiting principally the North of Devon," &c. "The Alderney, with her crumpled horn, is found on the Southern coast." And "the polled or hornless cattle prevail in Suffolk and Norfolk, and in Galloway whence they were first derived, and hence their name."

The same writer, on page 228 of the same work, thus writes: "From the earliest periods, as to which we have any accounts of our breeds of cattle, the counties of Durham and York have been celebrated for their short-horns, but principally in the first instance on account of their reputation as extraordinary milkers." The author of the American Farmers' Encyclopedia, referring to the same source of information, says on page 291 under the head of "The Short-Horns—Durham and Yorkshire have for ages been celebrated for a breed of these possessing extraordinary value as milkers." A well-informed American writer tells us: "The short-horn as a race, distinct in their character of excellence and individuality; as are ancient as any breed of cattle now existing in England." (Vol. I, Am. Herd Book, page 25.) On the next page (36) he continues: "To the banks of the river Tees, separating the counties of Durham and York, reference is to be had for an account of the originals of the improved short-horns. There in 1740 existed a breed of cattle, for a description of which the author (Mr. H. Berry) is indebted to an old and celebrated breeder, in color resembling what is called the improved breed of the present day, except that the fashionable roan was not quite so prevalent. They are described in general character also, to have differed very little from their descendants. Possessing a fine mellow tone, good hair, light oval, particularly well carcasses and deep forequarters, they also justly celebrated for extraordinary proof (tallow) when slaughtered. Several spirited individuals, at that early period, had devoted much attention to the improvement of the breed of cattle then prevailing in the counties of Durham and York, and amongst others Sir William St. Quintin, of Scampston, imported bulls and cows from Holland. We have heard it asserted that this stock (referring to the Holland cattle), was originally sent

from England to Holland, near two centuries ago, as a present by James II. to William, Prince of Orange, then Stadtholder, at the time of his marriage with his daughter. From this produce, a century after, Sir William St. Quintin and others made their importations. They were originally pure white, and it is this tribe which is supposed to have marked the short-horn families generally, and not the wild cattle of Chillingworth Park, as asserted by Mr. Youatt in his work on British cattle; for these last have a white, brittle horn, a dull, sluggish, ferocious eye and other characteristics, totally different from any well bred short-horn." Same book, p. 37, quoting Am. Ag., 1842, vol. 1, p. 161: "As early as 1740 'Mr. Milbank devoted his attention to this branch of rural economy.' His success as a breeder of short-horns may be known by the following facts: 'A five-year old ox, bred and fed by this gentleman, weighed when slaughtered, the four quarters, 2,100 pounds net, and tallow 224 pounds. A cow also, bred from his stock, the property of Mr. Shafter, of Chilton, slaughtered when twelve years old, having produced several calves, weighed upwards of 1,540 pounds net. This cow was the daughter of the Old Studley Bull, one of the most celebrated ancestors of the improved short-horns. He was the grand sire of Dalton Duke, bred by Mr. Charge.' From him also descended William and Richard Barker's and Mr. Hill's bulls, all animals of the highest reputation in their day." Sir James Pennyman may also be named as a distinguished breeder of short-horns at that very early period. "The family of the Aisklives, the then residents of Studley Park (in Yorkshire), had very fine cattle in the seventeenth century (A. D. 16—) Sir William St. Quintin drew some of his best blood from this source." [Ibid., p. 38. Not to mention many of the numerous breeders of that distant period, we add (on page 37, same book), 'The Smithsons,' of Stanwick, in Northumberland, bred good short-horns in 1640." In a note on the same page the author says: "In a private conversation with him, since his return from England, Mr. Allen (A. B.) informed us that he was told, while in Durham, that an ancient record now in that county, showed the short-horns as existing there in great excellence four hundred years ago." "Great antiquity is claimed for some of the stock in Northumberland, and as early as 1770 Mr. Dickson, and probably others, had cattle that were famous milkers, and much resembled in other particulars the short-horns of the present day, being quick feeders and good handlers. We might enlarge on this subject and prove that the short-horns are an ancient and superior race. It is undeniable throughout Great Britain that when the good-milking and quick-feeders of any breed of cattle are sought to be improved, the short-horns are universally resorted to, and when properly selected, always with marked success. We saw these crosses in infinite number on the cattle of Ireland, Scotland, England and Jersey, and the colors and forms of the short-horns immediately stamped themselves upon the produce and predominated, which is proof indisputable, if other were wanting, of their great antiquity and long high breeding." We have then given us on pages 40 and 41 of the same work, a record of sixteen short-horns, males and females, with the names of breeders and feeders, that were slaughtered at that early period, the weight of which varied according to age, time of feeding, &c., from 1,330 pounds, a three-years old steer, up to 2,352 pounds, a seven-years old steer; and from 1,260 pounds, a three-years old heifer, descended from the Old Studley Bull, up to 1,540 pounds, a five-years old heifer, bred by the Bishop of Durham. "Thus much for the Tees-water short-horns, the originals of the improved short-horns."—[Ibid.]

Let the reader here bear in mind that all we have quoted and written is with reference to the short-horns as they were before the days of the Collings, Robert and Charles, and their operations with short-horn cattle. Enough has certainly been presented to establish beyond a doubt the high antiquity of the short-horns, as a distinct and superior race of cattle.

ESCAPE OF FORTY CONVICTS.

(From the Nashville Banner.)

For some time a considerable number of convicts of our State prison have been employed in mining coal at the Battle Creek Mines, six miles below Jasper, on the Jasper Branch railroad. On Monday morning last they all, forty-one in number, marched out of the stockade as usual to enter the mines for the day. They were all provided with picks, and were guarded by six well-armed men. After entering the mine they suddenly and without a word of warning turned upon the guard, knocked them over with their picks, and rushed out. One was shot dead, and, forty fled in a body to Jones' creek, at the Alabama line, three miles below. Then they separated, some going into Alabama, some to the mountains, some one way and some another. Only one has been captured. The whole country around the mines is aroused, and a large number of citizens are in pursuit. It is likely that all will be captured.

The Oldest Stove Probably in the United States.

The oldest stove probably in the United States is the one which warms the hall of Virginia's Capitol, in Richmond. It was made in England and sent to Richmond in 1770, and warmed the House of Burgesses for sixty years before it was removed to its present location, where it has been for thirty years. It has survived three British monarchs; has been contemporaneous with three monarchies, two republics and two Imperial governments of France.

CARRIERS' ADDRESS.

January 1, 1871.

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SALES.

The following is a list of the public sales advertised in the Observer and Reporter:
J. T. Davidson, Agent—Main-street Brick House and Lot.
J. F. Drake & Co.—Small Farm.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Cannons are very fashionable.
Bright and beautiful yesterday.
Three or four colored fairs are in full blast.
Several "open houses" in this city New Year's Day.
The Catholic fair succeeded to the amount of \$1,200.
Work has commenced again in the bagging factories.
We enjoyed a call from Mr. H. T. Stanton, yesterday.
The election of City Library Directors, takes place next Saturday.
Our industrious Representative, Dr. D. L. Price, departed for Frankfort yesterday.
The Kentucky Legislature will meet in adjourned session at the State capital today at 12 o'clock.
Capt. Thos. McCann's company of State Guards will parade at Athens on Saturday, the 14th of this month.
Mr. William McCracken has again leased the stable on Short street, recently vacated by William Garrett.
"Some one should help the poor," the millionaire remarked yesterday, as he gazed his purse and—kept it in his pocket.
The last novelty is the snake or cable fann, clapping around the throat, made of the gold gold so fashionable at present.
A number of timely and much needed contributions have been sent in to the Female Benevolent Society. Send in some more.
All the farmers will read the valuable letter on "short-horned cattle" in another column, from the pen of John A. Gano, Sr., Esq.
McMeek's has finished packing here, and Dunn will be through soon. We understand logs were sold here yesterday at \$6.50.
The beautiful New-Year's Address, in another column, was written by Miss Susan M. Wilson, whose name as a poetess, is rapidly increasing.
The house where Henry Clay was born, near Ashland, Hanover county, Va., was destroyed by fire on Friday. It was more than a century old.
The new Mission Church, at the old city graveyard on Bull-street, was dedicated Sunday with appropriate services. The attendance was good.
W. W. Goddard, Esq., of Mercer, writing to the Agricultural Observer, says: "I send as a New Year's gift a club of new subscribers." We tip our beaver.
Horton Lewis, aged about 15 years and son of Mr. Lewis, of this city, was found dead in his bed last Saturday morning. He had been suffering from heart disease.
If any one wants to know what kind of work is done at the Observer office, let him examine the handsome New Year's Address, which has been distributed all over the city.
Mr. Thornton, a noted short-horn breeder from England, and also from Canada, Mr. Davis, paid a visit to A. J. Alexander's head last week, and were highly pleased with the stock.
"The Children's Annual," a new little Sunday school paper, gotten up at the Apostolic Times office, was distributed to the children of the Christian Sunday schools, at their Christmas entertainment.
The Fizzle has been increasing its already extraordinary popularity, by charming articles "Society Gossip," which equal its other one that sneered at our city clerks, whom it called "yard sticks" and "reformer jokers."
The Second Presbyterian Church is observing the "week of Prayer." Today prayers will be offered for the conversion of children; for Sunday schools, and all seminaries of learning; and for the raising up of more laborers in Christ's service.
The families of Illinois and Indiana are said to have taken kindly to our article of yesterday. It was called the "Divorce Traveling Sales." When a woman dumps one of these anti her husband knows that trouble is in store for him and lawyers see another eye.
The large grocery establishment of Spens & Masie, of Paris, has been burnt out by fire. The former partner has united with Woodford and bought the extensive grocery of Ross & Co., and will run the same in connection with Clay & Co., wholesale manufacturers of flour and whiskey.
A novel race occurred on the ice a few days ago at Paris, between a man on skates and a horse driven by a buggy. They drove on the salt ice near the city, affording a rich and exciting sport to probably 500 people who had collected to witness it. The distance was a quarter of a mile, and resulted in dead heats each time in 38 seconds.
Mr. W. M. Jennings, an English trainer and owner of Killdare, well known in turf circles, visited Fayette and Woodford counties last week, and was charmed by Mr. Bryant his thoroughbred horse by Star Davis, out of the Margrave mare, the dam of James A. Conley, &c., for \$400 each. Also, the race horse Johnson, of E. A. Smith.
Hart Lodge No. 6, F. & M., Nicholasville, at its anniversary meeting on Dec. 27th, elected the following officers for the coming year: J. M. Spitzer, W. M.; Woodson Dickerson, S. W.; Dent Hoover, J. W.; E. R. Sparks, Treasurer; G. Cal. Richard, Sec.; J. C. Welch, S. D.; Robert Downing, J. T. D. H. Crutcher, C. G.; Charles Blair, S. T.
Comptroler Paris, like most our year counts, was a day of small business, there being a very limited number of stock offered. Horses and mules were somewhat improved in price. Nearly all the cattle were withdrawn, scarcely six cents being bid for fair feeders. A few No. 1 mules in small lots sold at \$125, for higher prices and grade less at \$105 to \$110. Some No. 1 broke mules sold at \$200 for highest figure.
The Democratic County Convention met in this city next Monday, at 2 o'clock P. M., to appoint delegates to the State Convention to be held in Frankfort on the 4th day of May next. The basis of representation from each district to county meetings will be one to each hundred votes cast at the last general election, and one for each fraction of city. It is hoped that each district will be fully represented.
An exchange pronounces non-explosive kerosene oil a myth. Very likely the statement is correct. We suppose the laws prohibiting the sale of dangerous oils are enforced in all parts of the country as for as possible, yet we do not see a paper from any region that is without an account of a terrible kerosene accident. We are getting too familiar with histories of people being roasted alive by burning kerosene. Many of the kerosene calamities are, we admit, the indirect result of the victims' own carelessness; but still no fit to be handled so directly at the bottom of the matter.
The following sweetstakes are advertised by the Saratoga Association to close on the 1st of March: A sweetstake of a mile and a quarter, for all ages, \$50 each and \$500 added, for the first day of the July meeting; the Flash Stakes, half a mile, for two-year-olds, \$50 each and \$500 added; the Saratoga Cup, two miles and a quarter, \$50 each and \$1,000 added; the Seguel Stakes, two miles, for three-year-olds, \$50 each and \$750 added; the Summer Handicap, for all ages, a mile and a quarter, \$100 each, half forfeit, but only \$20 if defaulted. This is to be run on the 1st day of August meeting.
Krisson, one of the fastest horses, during his career, that ever struck a horse, was seized about a month or six weeks ago with a violent attack of a disease termed, in medical parlance, laryngitis, which rapid dyspnoea for the first time, even, sending to bronchitis and congestion of the whole breathing apparatus and partial ulceration of the same. He was closely watched and medicinally attended throughout by Dr. T. K. Quickfall, M. R. C. V. S., who succeeded in overcoming the disease without question, and pronounced Krisson today as sound as ever and in fine condition, vigor and health.

STATE NEWS.

Bill Davenport, a well-known oddity of Versailles, died in that town on Saturday night.

Larkin Townsend, of Covington, entertained forty-five of his grandchildren on Christmas day.

Young men in Paducah amuse themselves with getting up sham fights to entertain their friends.

The firm of W. W. Baldwin & Co., of Maysville, have manufactured 15,000 plows during the past year.

The prisoners in the Paducah jail nearly succeeded in another attempt to escape one day last week, but were prevented by the vigilance of a turnkey.

On Wednesday evening a young lady named Lucinda Walker was badly burned at her father's residence on Fourth street in Maysville. Her dress caught as she was leaning over the fire.

Richard Remington, an employee on the Kentucky Central railroad, was seriously if not fatally injured, by falling from the top of the freight train, while in motion, near Cynthiana, on Friday evening.

D. O. Harris and E. G. Wright, two citizens of Versailles, got into a lively mill the other day over the proper grammatical construction of a word. Their etymological dispute cost them each \$3 and costs.

Governor Stevenson offers a reward of \$300 for the apprehension and delivery to the jailer of Henry county of James Isabel, charged with the murder of Wm. Averington, in the town of Jericho, on the 24th ult.

A large tobacco storehouse burned at Mayfield on Sunday night. After the fire some charred human bones were found in the ruins, and it is supposed that some person or persons went in the building to stay all night, built a fire from which the building caught and was destroyed by the flames.

Rev. Henry M. Sponder, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Elizaville, has received calls to the Presbyterian Churches at Millersburg and Winchester. The congregation of the latter offer \$1,500 per annum and house rent. He has not yet signified his purpose in reference to these invitations.

Mason county has the following survivors of the war of 1812: Peyton Key, aged about 90; Thomas Taitner, 84; Wm. Crover, 75; Jonathan Gifford, 75; Thomas Poe, 82; John McCartney, 80; John Lamb, 80; Wm. Britton, 80; Peter Lashbrook, 78; Thos. Glascock, 75; John Masterson, 80; John Thompson, —. Mr. Thompson is the only survivor of the battle of Lake Erie.

Kentucky Land, Stock and Crop News.

Mr. William Dorsey sold his farm near Lewisburg, containing 964 acres, to James Harrison for \$60.00 per acre.

Mr. Jos. Alexander, agent of Mr. Jno. T. Alexander, of Illinois, has purchased in Central Kentucky since June last stock to the amount of \$1,400,000.

Mr. A. D. Lyter, of Berryville, has rented Jas. Kern's farm of 327 acres, 44 miles south of Millersburg, for \$1,200 for the year, beginning next March. Mr. L. sub-rents of Geo. T. Davis for \$100 from December to March.

D. Swiger has bought "Alcade," formerly known as "Woodfolk's Mambrino Pilot." Alcade is 16 hands high, a rich bay, and his stock are very promising. He was formerly owned by Mr. Jos. Woolfolk.

John Cunningham, of Paris, has purchased "Baron Bates of Seneca," a rich roan, calved Sept. 8th, 1867; got by 2d Duke of Geneva, that E. G. Bedford bought of James O. Sheldon, in the spring of 1867, for which he paid \$3,000.

Mr. Jos. A. Howerton, of Paris, made the following sales of Berkshire pigs during the month of December: To J. B. Mays, Madison county, 1 pair pigs, \$10; to Edward Perrin, Augusta, Ga., 1 boar pig, \$25; to G. W. Conway, Augusta, Ga., 1 pair pigs, \$40; to Elias Lawrence, Jackson, Tenn., 1 gilt, \$50; 2 boar pigs, \$40.

The mule trade at Atlanta, Georgia, has grown to mammoth proportions, as the following statistics will show: During the year 1869 there were brought to, and distributed from Atlanta, 26,659 mules; since January, 1870, 12,249—making a total in eighteen months of 40,000. These were sold at perhaps an average of \$200; the aggregate purchases were \$8,000,000.

Mr. James Curtis, of Mason, sold his farm of 121 acres to R. Sowards at \$90.00 per acre. The land is on the M. & L. R. R. one-half mile from the Fleming pike and three miles from Maysville. F. M. Weadon, Commissioner, sold the Charles Gornuch farm of fifty acres, situated near Taylor's Mills, for \$47.00 per acre. The land was purchased by David White. F. M. Weadon, Commissioner, sold fifty acres of the McCoy farm, which were bid in by Miss Mary McCoy at \$40 per acre.

The following stock sales have been recently made by Robert W. Scott, near Frankfort: Four Durham calves, to C. Eliead, of Pisotum, Illinois; three "Improved Kentucky" hicks, to J. S. McVey, of Walholling, Ohio; two pigs, of blended blood, to G. H. Mosely, of Holly Springs, Miss; a pair of full-blood Cashmere kids, to Henry Leovy, of New Orleans; three "Improved Kentucky" lambs, to Miss L. R. Payne, of Virginia; a Durham bull calf and pair of pigs, of blended blood, to W. M. Mitchell, of Arkansas.

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Lexington Produce Market.
Corrected by Payne & McLong, Com. Apples—Choice winter \$2 to \$3.50 per barrel. Butter—Fresh country 30c to 35c per lb. Horses—Combats 25c to 30c per lb. Bacon—Country, new, 160 lbs for hams, 150 lbs for sides, 100 lbs for shoulders. Chickens—Medium to large \$3.50 to \$4 per dozen. Eggs—Market very firm at 30c to 35c per dozen. Feathers—Firm market at 60c to 65c per lb. Flour—Fancy family \$7.25, extra family \$8 per barrel. Lard—We quote keg lard at 12 1/2 cts. Potatoes—Best Irish \$1 to \$1.25 per barrel.

Lexington Whisky Market.
Pure Copper, per gallon, 1 year old, \$1.50 to \$1.75. " " " " 2 " " " \$2.50 to \$2.75. " " " " 3 " " " \$3.00 to \$3.25. " " " " 4 " " " \$3.50 to \$3.75. " " " " 5 " " " \$4.00 to \$4.25. " " " " 6 " " " \$4.50 to \$4.75. " " " " 7 " " " \$5.00 to \$5.25. " " " " 8 " " " \$5.50 to \$5.75. " " " " 9 " " " \$6.00 to \$6.25. " " " " 10 " " " \$6.50 to \$6.75. " " " " 11 " " " \$7.00 to \$7.25. " " " " 12 " " " \$7.50 to \$7.75. " " " " 13 " " " \$8.00 to \$8.25. " " " " 14 " " " \$8.50 to \$8.75. " " " " 15 " " " \$9.00 to \$9.25. " " " " 16 " " " \$9.50 to \$9.75. " " " " 17 " " " \$10.00 to \$10.25. " " " " 18 " " " \$10.50 to \$10.75. " " " " 19 " " " \$11.00 to \$11.25. " " " " 20 " " " \$11.50 to \$11.75. " " " " 21 " " " \$12.00 to \$12.25. " " " " 22 " " " \$12.50 to \$12.75. " " " " 23 " " " \$13.00 to \$13.25. " " " " 24 " " " \$13.50 to \$13.75. " " " " 25 " " " \$14.00 to \$14.25. " " " " 26 " " " \$14.50 to \$14.75. " " " " 27 " " " \$15.00 to \$15.25. 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